# **APPENDIX F**

**SCOPING MEETING PRESENTATION** 

## PUBLIC SCOPING MEETINGS MAY 5, 6, & 7, 2008



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#### **GROUND RULES**

- Silence cell phones
- Step outside for conversations
- Be respectful
- Provide comments in writing

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#### PRESENTATION OVERVIEW

- South Valley Facilities Expansion Project (SVFE)
- National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)
- Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)
- Scoping
- Next Steps

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## **SVFE PROJECT**

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#### SOUTHERN NEVADA WATER AUTHORITY

- SNWA member agencies
  - Las Vegas Valley Water District
  - City of Henderson
  - City of Las Vegas
  - City of North Las Vegas
  - City of Boulder City
  - Big Bend Water District
  - Clark County Water Reclamation District

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#### **SNWA ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

- Meet water supply needs
- Distribute water supplies
- Coordinate and manage water resources
- Conservation
- Ensure water quality
- Long-term water resource planning
- Build and operate regional facilities

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#### WHY THE PROJECT IS NEEDED

- South Valley Lateral (SVL) delivers water to:
  - City of Henderson (COH)
  - Las Vegas Valley Water District (LVVWD)
- SVL capacity is projected to be exceeded by 2016
  - Based on current COH and LVVWD water need projections

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#### **PURPOSE AND NEED**

- Purpose
  - Expand capacity to treat and convey existing water supplies
- Need
  - Meet water demand patterns
  - Increase system reliability
    - Provide relief during emergency outages
  - Add system flexibility
    - Provide continued service during planned outages

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#### **PROJECT ELEMENTS**

- New raw water transmission line
- Expand water treatment facilities
- New treated water conveyance system

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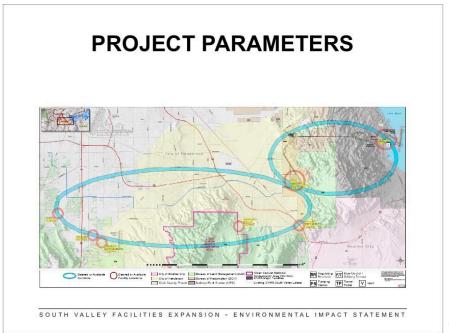
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#### **PROJECT COMPONENTS**

- Pipelines
- Pumping stations
- Tunnels
- Turnouts (delivery points)
- Power facilities
- Regulating/storage reservoirs
- Water Treatment

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# RAW WATER TRANSMISSION ALIGNMENTS



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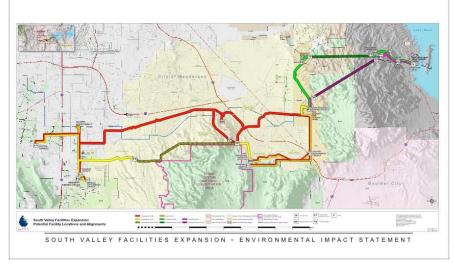
# TREATED WATER CONVEYANCE ALIGNMENTS



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### **SCOPING ALTERNATIVES**



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## **NEPA PROCESS**

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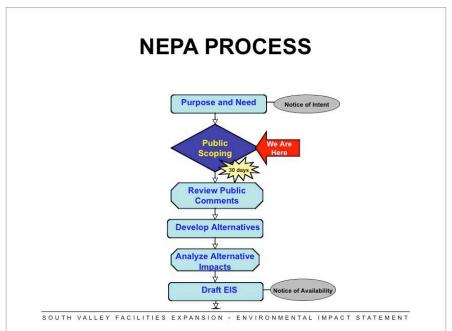
#### PROPOSED NEPA ACTION

- Authorization for SNWA to use public land for:
  - Construction
  - Operation
  - Maintenance
- Public land managed by:
  - Bureau of Reclamation
  - Bureau of Land Management
  - National Park Service

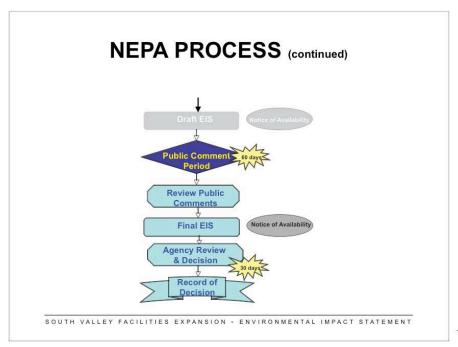
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# **Environmental Impact Statement**

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#### **EIS CONTENT**

- Purpose and need for project
- Alternatives
- Baseline environment
- Impacts
- Mitigation measures

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#### **CREATE ALTERNATIVES**

- No action
- Other alternatives
  - Pipeline alignments
  - · Facility locations
    - pumping stations
    - storage reservoirs
  - Pipeline construction methods
    - · cut and cover
    - tunneling

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#### **RESOURCES EVALUATED**

- Air quality
- Geology and soils
- Water resources and water quality
- Biological resources
- Land use and land ownership
- Infrastructure and transportation

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#### **RESOURCES EVALUATED**

(continued)

- Noise
- Visual resources
- Recreation
- Social and economic issues
- Cultural resources
- Native American concerns

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# **SCOPING**

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#### **PUBLIC SCOPING**

- Receive written comments on:
  - potential alternatives
  - environmental resources to be evaluated
  - potential impacts
  - other issues and concerns
- Gather information on resources
- Explain NEPA process
- Encourage dialogue

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#### YOUR COMMENTS

- Written comments will be used to:
  - develop alternatives
  - identify resources
  - identify issues
  - identify mitigation measures

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#### **SUBMIT COMMENTS**

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## **NEXT STEPS**

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#### **PUBLIC REVIEW OPPORTUNITIES**

- Scoping period closes
  - May 23, 2008
- Draft EIS available for public review and comment
  - Spring/Summer 2009
- Final EIS available for public review and comment
  - Fall/Winter 2009

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# Thank you!



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